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SUBJ: INDIAN OCEAN PEACE ZONE (IOPZ)

1. AD HOC COMITE ON IOPZ TERMINATED SCHEDULED WEEK- LONG SESSION AFTER HOLDING VERY FEW MEETINGS. SEVERAL STATEMENTS WERE MADE IN GENERAL DEBATE BUT LEADING (AND APPARENTLY ONLY) THRUST IN FORWARD DIRECTION REMAINS SRI LANKA AMB AMERASINGHE. COMITE INTENDS TO MEET INFORMALLY LATE AUG OR EARLY SEPT TO ADOPT REPORT OF ITS PROCEEDINGS FOR SUBMISSION TO GA.

2. USUN MISOFF DISCUSSED PROCEEDINGS WITH MISOFFS FROM AUSTRALIA (MOTT), JAPAN (NOGUCHI) AND IRAN (BAYANDOR). WHILE THEIR ACCOUNTS CONFLICT IN SOME RESPECTS, (NO RECORDS WERE KEPT OF PROCEEDINGS) GENERAL OPINION IS THAT REPORT TO GA WILL INCLUDE: (A) SUMMARIES OF GENERAL DEBATE STATEMENTS OR PERHAPS SUMMARY DRAFTED BY CHAIRMAN AND APPROVED BY COMITE MEMBERSHIP; (B) RECOMMENDATION THAT GA ADOPT RES CONTINUING COMITE IN 1974; AND (C) REQUEST THAT GA AUTHORIZE SECRETARIAT TO UNDERTAKE STUDY OF CERTAIN (AS YET UNDETERMINED),
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ASPECTS OF AREA.

3. MOTT AND NOGUCHI SAID CONTENT OF PROPOSED SECRETARIAT STUDY IS FAR FROM BEING AGREED UPON. BAYANDOR STATED GOI

FAVORED RESPONSIBLE STUDY THAT WOULD ENABLE COMITE TO CONDUCT ITS WORK WITH FACTS AND MODERATION. HE SAID POSSIBLE SUBJECTS MIGHT BE (1) DEFINITION AND/ OR LISTING OF " FOREIGN" MILITARY BASES IN AREA, OR (2) DEFINITION OF GEOGRAPHIC LIMITS OR AREA, OR (3) LISTING OF EXISTING MILITARY AGREEMENTS BY POWERS WITH EACH OTHER ON OPERATIONS IN AREA AND MILITARY AGREEMENTS BY POWERS WITH LITTORAL AND HINTERLAND STATES IN AREA, OR (4) COMBINATIONS OR VARIATIONS OF THE ABOVE. BAYANDOR SAID IRAN DEL DESIRED CLOSE RELATIONSHIP WITH US ON IOPZ AND ASKED MISOFF WHAT HE THOUGHT OF POSSIBLE STUDY. MISOFF REVIEWED US ABSTENTIONS ON IOPZ RES AND EXPRESSED PERSONAL OPINION THAT US RESPONSE TO STUDY AS SUGGESTED ABOVE WOULD PROBABLY BE UNENTHUSIASTIC, BUT OFFICIAL VIEW WOULD HINGE ON EXACT WORDING. BAYANDOR SAID PURPOSE OF STUDY WOULD NOT BE EMBARRASSMENT BUT ATTEMPT TO KEEP COMITE CONCENTRATED ON FACTS AND AVOID UNREALISTIC RECOMMENDATIONS. MISOFF NOTED IRONY THAT STUDY WOULD DOUBTLESS REQUIRE SECRETARIAT TO SOLICIT DESIRED INFO FROM NON- INDIAN OCEAN STATES E. G. US. BAYANDOR SAID PERHAPS THIS COULD BE DONE BY STATES SENDING EXPERTS TO PROVIDE INFO RATHER THAN SUBMIT WRITTEN REPORTS. (COMMENT: IT APPEARS SOME SORT OF STUDY WILL BE REQUESTED BUT, AS INDICATED ABOVE, GUIDELINES ARE FAR FROM CLEAR. BELIEVE AUSTRALIA, JAPAN AND IRAN DELS WOULD BE INTERESTED IN US VIEWS. SINCE AMERASINGHE IN GENEVA UNTIL LATE AUG, NO FURTHER MOVEMENT IN IOPZ EXPECTED HERE UNTIL HIS RETURN.)

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